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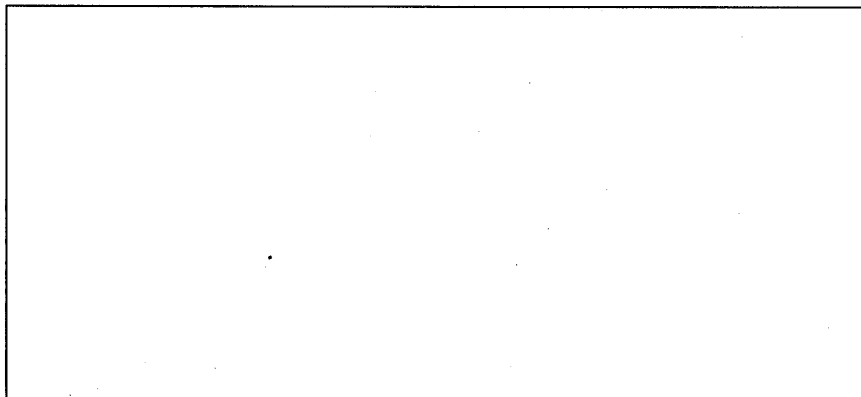
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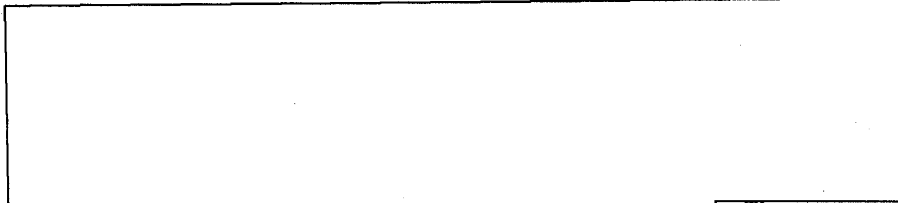
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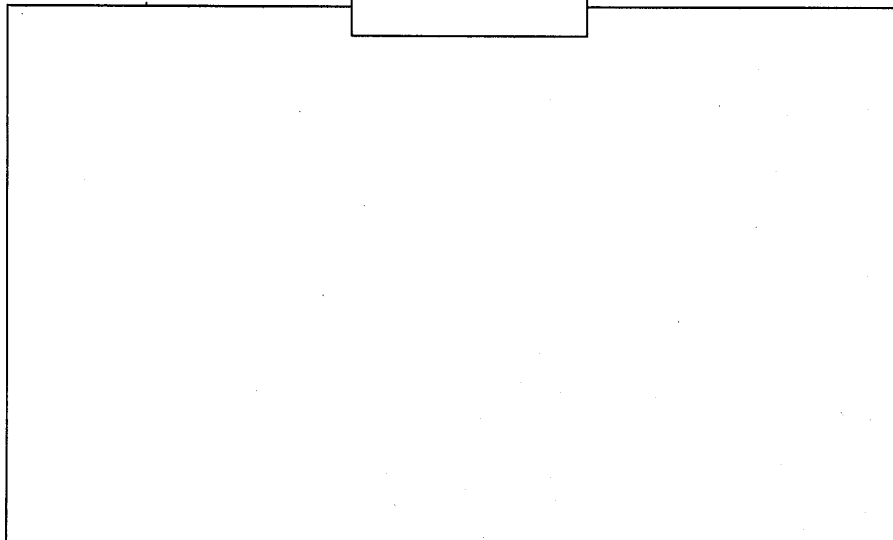
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The
Socialists, however, will seek to prolong the session by
exploiting popular emotional response to the assassination
of Socialist party chairman Asanuma and by attacking
the government on the rising price level and policy
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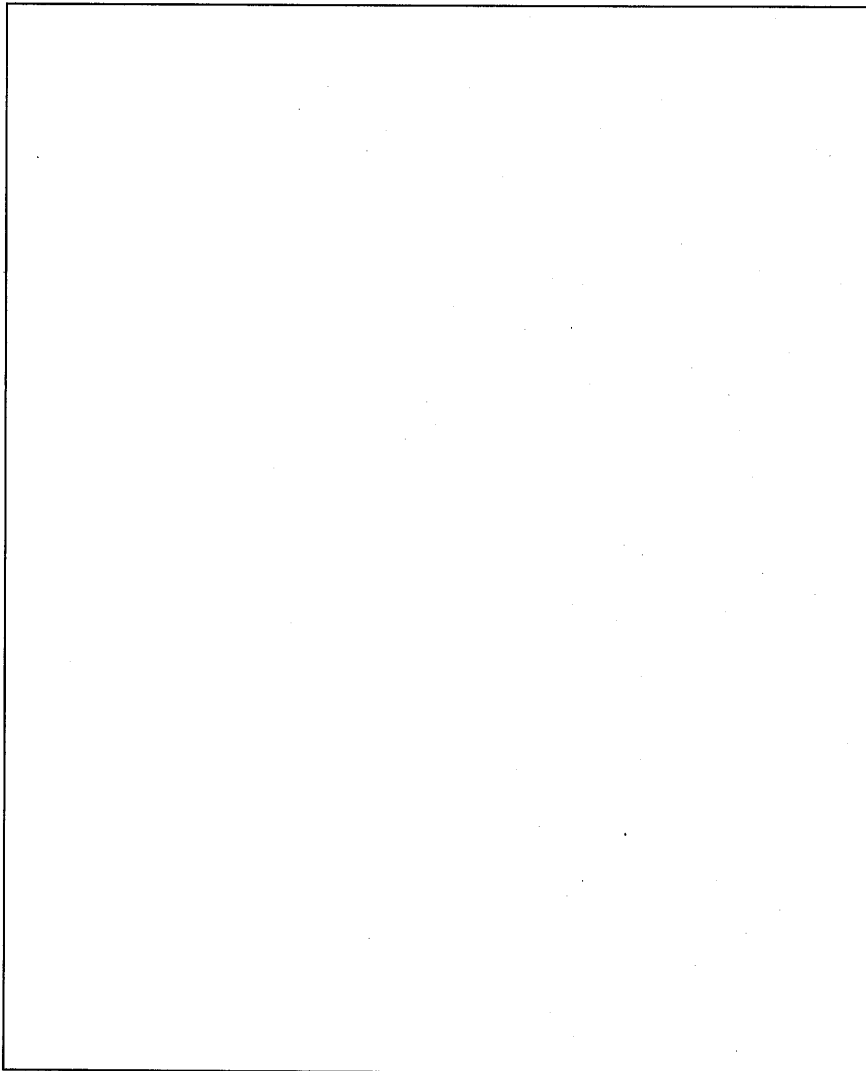
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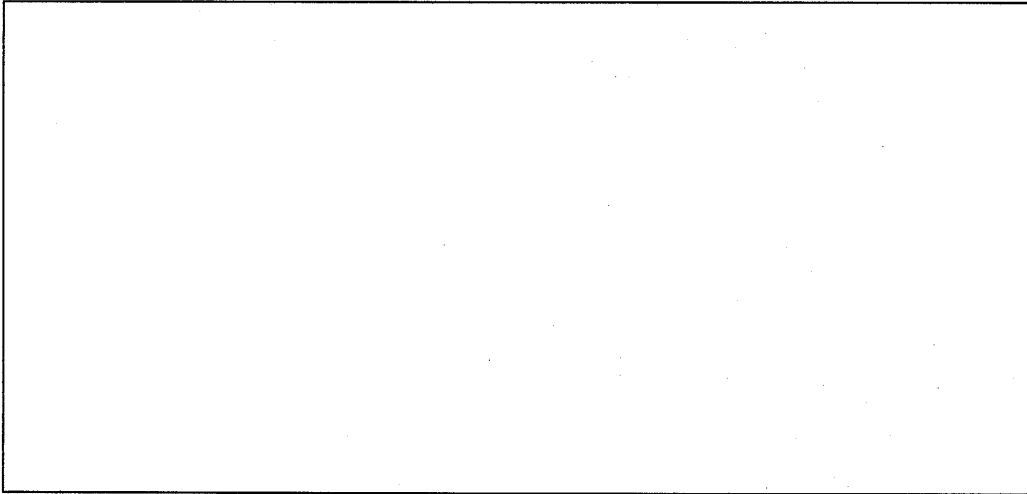
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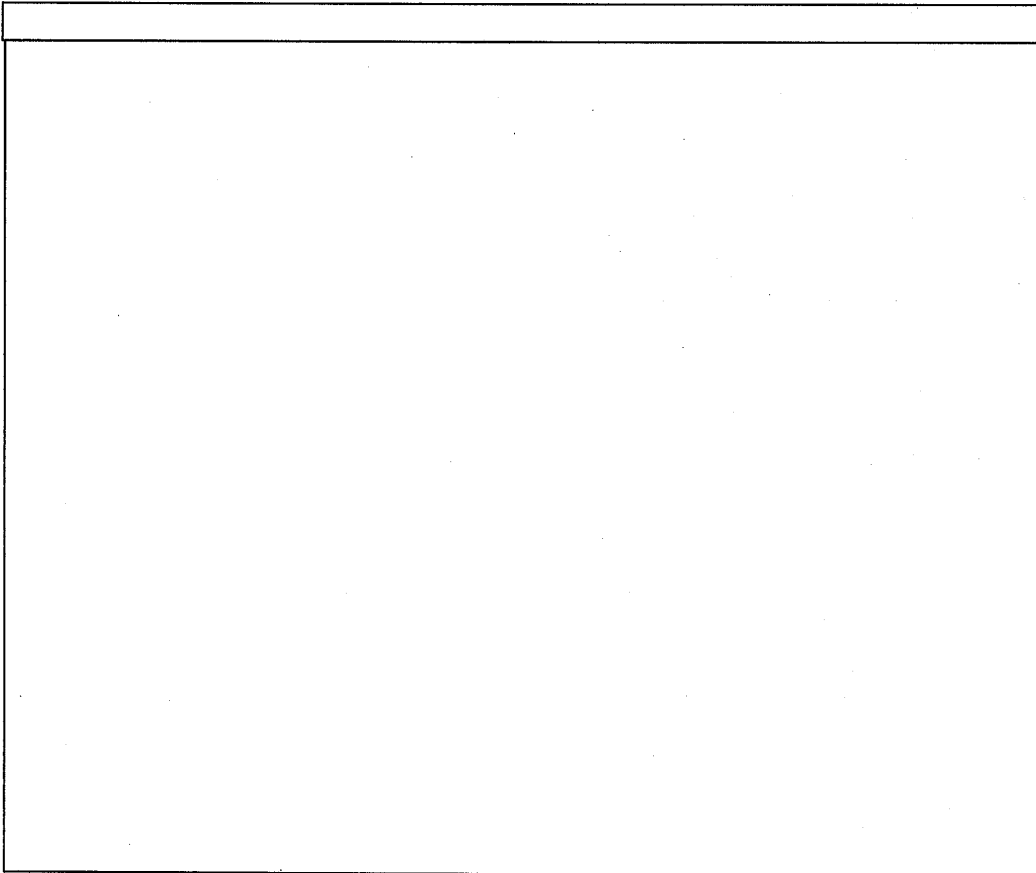
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ist party chairman Asanuma on 12 October probably will be on the JSP itself. Asanuma, who was the symbol of the JSP's anti-American, pro-Communist orientation, recently had been attempting to retreat to a more neutral position in the wake of adverse public reaction to Socialist extremism in the May-June crisis. Strong opposition by intraparty elements and the Sohyo labor federation to any retrenchment may result in a struggle in naming a new party chairman.

The Socialists have intimated that Asanuma's assassination was a calculated plot and will use the incident in an effort to develop a sympathy vote in the elections. However, there is no indication of conservative involvement or sign as yet that it will significantly affect the elections.

The most immediate effect of the assassination of Social-

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